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Social and Personal

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian H. Cooke and their daughter, Miss Mary Stuart Cooke, of Roanoke, will arrive in Richmond today to attend the Smith-Nelson wedding to-morrow evening. Dr. and Mrs. Charles W. Kent and Miss Elsie Fielding Miles, of the University of Virginia, are also expected in Richmond for the marriage, as are Dr. and Mrs. Francis Smith, of Charlottesville.

Additional Members.
Additional members elected to the Richmond German Club at a meeting on Monday evening at the Westmoreland Club include E. R. W. McCabe, Captain Arthur M. Shipp, Francis R. Johnson, James Branch Cabell, Frederick Giesham Pollard and T. M. Carington, Jr. The first German will take place on the evening of December 15, and will be danced in the ballroom of the Richmond Hotel.

Carters-Skelton.
Palms, running cedar, lighted candles and pink roses decorated St. Martin's Episcopal Church at Doswell yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock for the marriage of Miss Catherine Ogle Skelton, daughter of Mrs. John Gifford Skelton, to Charles Harrison Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hill Carter, of Richmond. The Rev. Dr. Lawrence performed the ceremony, and the altar and chancel were banked with quantities of pink roses and chrysanthemums. The bride entered the church with her brother, John Gifford Skelton, who gave her away. She wore a traveling costume of plain-colored cloth, with a modish black velvet hat, and carried a bouquet of lilacs of the valley. Her only ornament was a diamond and pearl pendant, the groom's gift. Miss Maria Ward Skelton, who was her sister's maid of honor, was panned in palest pink chiffon draped over satin of the same shade, and carried an armful of pink roses. Clarence M. Carter was best man. The ushers included Shirley Carter, Conway Smith, Wilmer and Percy Hall and Little Jennie and William Tybolski, all in white. They wore white costumes and carried French basket of pink buds.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter have gone North on their wedding trip, and will be at the Richmond Hotel on January 1. The bride formerly lived in Richmond, and is a niece of Mrs. John L. Williams, of this city. A great many guests from Richmond went to Doswell to attend the ceremony yesterday afternoon.

Pupils' Recital.
The pupils of Miss Zelle Minor gave a pleasant recital at her studio, 302 E. Main Street, on Saturday. The piano numbers were given by Miss La Pitt, Janie Hart, Louise Gibbons, Leola Bernham, Madeline Williams, Marie Gibbons and Mrs. Eunice Walker, and were from the following composers: Gounod, Heller, Mozart, Schmitt, Tchaikowsky, Thalberg, Zierner, Kullak and Mendelssohn. George La Pitt and Louise Gibbons won the prizes in the class exercises.

At the Woman's Club.
Miss Maria Blair will meet her class in the "Rise and Fall of the Turkish Empire" this afternoon at the Woman's Club. This afternoon at the Woman's Club. This afternoon at the Woman's Club.

Richmond society is much interested in the marriage of Miss Dorothy Gilpin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brooke Gilpin, to Dr. Lewis M. Allen, son of Robert Owen Allen, of Winchester. The ceremony is to take place this evening at 6:30 o'clock in Christ Church, in Millwood, Clarke County, and a brilliant throng of guests will be present. A reception will be held later at "Seabey," the country estate of the bride's parents, to which several hundred people have been invited. Miss Isabelle Carter, of this city, is to be one of Miss Gilpin's bridesmaids, and is a member of the house party now in progress at "Seabey" for the wedding.

Another wedding of interest to be celebrated this evening is that of Miss Willie Lewis Wingfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hector Bowe Wingfield, and Edward Lee Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Miller, of Norfolk, which will take place at 9:30 o'clock at the home of the bride, 1213 Floyd Avenue. Miss Nellie Wingfield will be her sister's maid of honor, and P. R. Taylor, of California, uncle of the groom, will be best man. There will be two bridesmaids—Misses Lois Miller and Hunter Wingfield—and the ushers are: Flosser Wingfield and J. H. Steinbrecher, Jr. Mr. Wingfield will give his daughter away, and the ceremony will be performed by Rev. H. J. Williams, of the Third Presbyterian Church, in this city.

Annals of Yesterday.
Mrs. Louis E. Cutchins entertained three tables of bridge at her home, on Park Avenue, yesterday, in honor of Miss Alice Nelson, whose wedding takes place to-morrow evening. The parlors were decorated in bowls of red flowers and holly, and tea was served at the card tables following the conclusion of the game.

Mrs. William L. Wight, of 1902 Hanover Avenue, invited a few friends in to play cards for the afternoon to meet her niece, Miss Isabelle Cadwell, of

Lewisburg, W. Va., who is her guest at the Woman's College.

On Friday evening a talk was given at the Woman's College to the art classes and other students of the institution on painting, the subject being "Old and Modern Masters." Stereoscopic views were shown, and the paintings discussed by Miss Whitfield, director and instructor of the art department at the college.

Interesting Announcement.
Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Anderson, of Alexandria, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Lisa Leane Anderson, and Wallace Noble Lindsey, son of Mrs. Katherine Lindsey, of Broad-Holm Heights, and the late Noble Lindsey, and a brother of Mrs. Overton Westfield. Miss Anderson is a sister of Mrs. Edgar Lyons Woods, wife of Dr. Woods, United States Navy, and a cousin of Senator and Mrs. Claude A. Swanson.

She frequently visited at the Executive Mansion during Senator Swanson's term as governor of Virginia, and has many relatives and friends in this city.

Entertaining To-Day.
Miss Alice Nelson, a bride of the week, will be the guest of honor at a luncheon today, at which Mrs. Mann Valentine will be hostess. The luncheon guests will include a number of visitors in town for the wedding and the bride party.

Mrs. John Landstreet and Mrs. Robert Williamson, Jr., are also entertaining at luncheon today. The affair will be given at Mrs. Williamson's home, 2630 Gray Avenue.

Here for the Winter.
Miss Augusta Tatum, who has been out of town for the summer and fall months, has returned to Richmond and is now at the Jefferson Hotel, where she expects to spend the winter. Miss Dorothea Tatum will sail with her sister, Mrs. Lelia Randolph Boston, for the South of Europe some time in January.

Meetings To-Day.
The regular monthly meeting of the Richmond Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will be held this morning at 11 o'clock in Lee Camp Hall, on E. Main Street.

The regular meeting of the Children's Auxiliary to Lee Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Commercial Hotel, 2 East Grace Street. Special business is to be discussed at this time.

There will be a meeting of the Story-Tellers League of Richmond at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Mechanics' Institute this afternoon. This meeting is especially for children over five years of age, and there will be a delightful program devoted entirely to Christmas stories.

Musical Tea.
Circle No. 5, Guild of All Saints' Episcopal Church, will give a musical tea this afternoon from 4 to 5 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. B. H. Ellington, 1517 Monument Avenue. The program will be an unusually attractive and interesting one, and decorations will be in Christmas greens and red flowers.

Stay-at-Home Whist Club.
The Stay-at-Home Whist Club met on Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Burrows, 1517 Monument Avenue. West Grace Street. Miss Sue K. Gordon, playing with Mr. Crump, and Mrs. Basil Spaulding, of Maryland, playing with Mr. Wilmer, tied for the highest score. The club will meet with Miss Sue Gordon on Monday night.

Art Club Notes.
Mrs. W. A. Burrows, president of the Mothers' Club of Richmond, made a charming personal talk yesterday afternoon at the Art Club of Richmond, discussing the Congress of Hygiene, recently held in Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. W. A. Burrows attended the congress for the purpose of learning all that she could about the conservation of the health of a child, it was enlightening and instructive details concerning the equipment of schools, the proper lighting, etc., of the classroom, ventilation and heating and much more of importance was discussed. The schools in the Netherlands are government inspected and the prettiest spots reserved for the school buildings as in contrast to this country, where they are glad to take the open-air schools, the importance of educating the child from the beginning with beautiful sights and scenes, was brought out in particular by Mrs. Burrows, who believes that the seeds sown in the schoolroom will surely and certainly bear fruit in a better citizenship in the years to come.

In and Out of Town.
Miss Mary Butler, who has been the guest of Miss Nora Randolph here, left yesterday for her home, in Matthews County.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlo B. James, Jr., of this city, are registered at the Hotel Astor, in New York City.

Mrs. Samuel McGinn has returned to her home in Norfolk, after a short stay in Richmond.

Mrs. Arthur Brogden, Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gordon Carroll, Charles Andrew McCann and Wilson White, of Baltimore, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brooke Gilpin, at "Seabey."

Miss Elizabeth Brown has returned to the city, after a visit to Mrs. Leaven H. Palmer, in Portsmouth, where she attended the Assembly dance.

Mrs. L. D. Swann is stopping at the Hotel Graddon, in Washington.

Miss Lucy Gwathmey has returned to Richmond, after a short stay in Louisiana City.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm J. Rawlings, who have been in Richmond for the Gordon-Chalmers wedding, have returned to Lynchburg.

Mrs. Luther Warren is leaving to-day to spend the next two months with Mr. Warren in North Carolina.

Miss Mary Weaver, of Rice, spent yesterday in Richmond, en route for Florida, where she will be for the winter season.

Miss Mattie Harris expects to leave town shortly to spend the Christmas holidays with relatives in Mobile.

Miss Annie R. Parker, of Norfolk, is visiting friends in this city for a week.

R. Cardwell Taylor has returned to the city, after spending the week-end with W. N. Sprinkle, in Harrisonburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark T. Thompson, who have been spending the past three weeks at their country home, in Dinwiddie, will return to Richmond Sunday.

B. C. Brothers, cashier of the Richmond custom-house, has gone to Elizabeth City, N. C., to spend his vacation with friends.

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ALFONSO DISCUSSES STATE OF HEALTH

Invites Newspaper Men In to See
That He Is in Good
Condition.

BY LA MARQUESE DE FONTENAY.
ALFONSO XIII. King of the Spaniards, that are constantly being published in the Spanish and foreign press, concerning the state of his health, intimating that it is in an extremely critical condition, and that he is destined to an early death, adopted the extraordinary measure the other day of inviting all the principal newspapers of the Spanish capital, as well as the duly accredited correspondents of the leading provincial and foreign journals, to visit him in a body, at the palace.

There he received them most cordially, and explained to them that he wished them to see with their own eyes, and at short range, that he was exceedingly fit, and in no sense of the word an invalid. He offered, moreover, to answer any questions that they might put to him on the subject of his health, and informed them that the only thing he had to complain of in the matter of health was a slight and chronic inflammation of the nasopharynx, a catarrhal trouble of no importance, which is very common in Madrid, owing to the terribly windy character of the city, and to the cloud of dust which are constantly being blown about, both from the streets of the metropolis and from the surrounding plains.

I do not believe that there is such a windy city in all Europe as Madrid, and it has always enjoyed this doubtful pre-eminence, since its old Arab name, dating from the days of the Moorish domination of the Iberian peninsula, was "El Muchrit," which means "The Wind-swept."

It is this catarrh which causes the King to occasionally seek relief at

the hands of the famous aural specialist, Dr. Moure, of Bordeaux, whose surgical intervention is limited to spraying. Of course, each time that the King sees Dr. Moure, stories to the effect that he is obliged to undergo serious operations are published far and wide.

That is all that there is the matter with Alfonso. If he appears spare and emaciated, it is because he is very tall, and that he leads a life of such intense activity that he has no time to put on flesh; this, too, in spite of his phenomenally large appetite, which is of altogether Bourbonian proportions. He seems impervious to cold and to heat, to storm and rain, and fatigue, wears out his endurance, seems always fresh and gay, and although he cannot boast of red cheeks, and is disposed to be hallow, like most of his ancestors on the throne of Spain, yet his color is a healthy bronze one, indicative of an outdoor and athletic life. He keeps himself in the pink of condition by his polo, his tennis, his shooting expeditions on foot, and his riding, and seems destined to a long life, unless it is prematurely ended by other than natural causes; that is to say, by assassination.

Having answered all the questions put to him, and chatted in the most friendly way with the party of journalists, he exclaimed: "And now, gentlemen, you see that I am not yet dead, that I am not even ill, but in just as good health as most of you. I shall be grateful if you will make this clear in your newspapers."

With that, he turned to his aunt, the popular widow Infanta Isabella, who joined him in bidding farewell to the visitors, and went off automobiling with her.

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effective than any medical bulletin issued and signed by even the greatest physicians of the country. Bulletins of this kind have been so often issued to conceal grave illnesses, as for instance, in the case of Queen Victoria's husband, who was declared to be suffering from a mere slight feverish cold, when his death was imminent; that nobody any longer believes them. Indeed, the issue of an official bulletin to the effect that King Alfonso's health was excellent, would have assuredly conveyed the impression that he was seriously ill, since otherwise it would not have been considered necessary to make any statement on the subject.

If a soldier receives conflicting orders from his superiors, and from the civil authorities, he should say, from the officers of the courts of law, to which must give preference. The natural assumption is that he should obey his military superiors, since obedience is the basis of all military discipline. That this, however, is not always the case, was demonstrated the other day by Sir Edward Ridley, one of the judges of the High Court in London, who declined to accept an excuse for the absence of a defendant, an officer of the Coldstream Guards, the plea that he had been obliged to obey a summons of his commanding general, in connection with his military duties.

Sir Edward Ridley, speaking from the bench, declared that soldiers, officers or their officers were exempted from responding to a summons from the Court of King's Bench, by any considerations of military duty, and gave judgment against the officer, as by default.

The army act, according to Sir Edward Ridley, provides that soldiers of the regular forces shall be exempt from jury duty, and that they shall not be liable to be taken out of His Majesty's service by any process, execution or order of any court of law or other, or be compelled to appear in person before any court of law, except in respect of the following matters: "On account of a charge of crime, or on account of debt, damages or sum of money where the amount exceeds thirty pounds"—that is, \$150. The official Manual of Military Law, moreover, expressly lays it down that the words "summons" do not relieve a soldier summoned as a witness in a court of law.

Sir Edward concluded by insisting on the fact that a soldier is subject to all the duties and liabilities of an ordinary citizen, save where exempted by statute. On this ground, the judge held that the officer in question, Lieutenant Ivor Rose, one of the Roses of Hayners, Bucks, had been remiss, and was even in contempt of court.

It seems that there is an ancient statute, according to which the sovereign can give protection from civil process, to combatants actually in the field. But there is no case on record of this law having been invoked for near 200 years past.

While Sir Edward Ridley has thus emphasized the superiority of civil to military law, his views on the matter would certainly not be accepted in Germany, or in many of the other military powers of Europe. For there a soldier is bound to blind obedience to his commanding officers, and if he were to refuse obedience, he would be liable to the superior of civil law, he might in extreme cases render himself liable to be shot for insubordination.

Ernest Scott, first secretary of the British embassy at Washington, and second son of the Earl of Eldon, is a relative of Lord Haldane, the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, who is so pronouncedly for everything American, in all of his recent public utterances. Lord Haldane's maternal great-grandfather, Sir Thomas Burdon, married a sister of the late Lord Eldon, who occupied the woodcock for an uninterrupted period of twenty-six years. This first Lord Eldon had another brother, William Scott, judge of the Court of Admiralty, who was created Lord Stowell, taking his title from the Scott country place, Stowell Park, in Gloucestershire. Ernest Scott, now at Washington, commemorates this grand-uncle of his, by his second name, being known as Ernest Stowell Scott. (Copyright, 1913, by the Brentwood Company.)

Leizcar-Buckley.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
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After spending a few days with relatives and friends in the city, Mr. and Mrs. Leizcar will leave for Laurel, Md., where the groom is engaged in the green grocery business.

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